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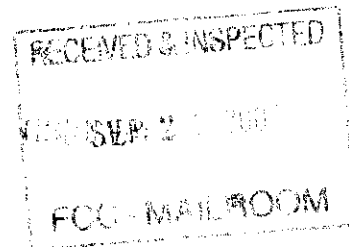
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September 25, 2007

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Re: **CC Docket No. 96-45, In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service**

Annual State Certification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316

Dear Ms. Dortch:

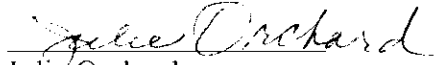
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.316, state commissions must file an annual certification with the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the FCC stating that residential rates in rural areas served by non-rural carriers are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide.

Utah Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (companies) Certified With This Letter:

Qwest, Inc.

The Commission certifies that the rates charged by the sole non-rural ILEC serving rural areas in Utah are reasonably comparable to the nationwide urban rates. The rate charged by Qwest, Inc., Utah's only non-rural LEC serving rural areas, is less than the safe harbor amount determined by the FCC.

Respectfully,


Julie Orchard
Commission Secretary
Utah Public Service Commission

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